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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Mr. Paul Baker, Minerals Manager Division of Oil, Gas an Mining Utah Department of Natural Resources Suite 1210 1594 West North Temple Street P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Re: Morton International, Inc., Grantsville Facility

Notice of Intention to Conduct Mining Operations, File No. M/045/037

Notification of Pending Change in Parent Corporation

Notification of Pending Name Change and Conversion to Limited Liability Company

Dear Mr. Baker:

Harter Secrest & Emery is counsel to K+S North America Salt Holdings LLC ("K+S North America") and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Morton International, Inc. ("MII"). We are writing to inform you that sometime after June 3, 2010, K+S North America will be transferring 100% of the shares of MII to Morton Salt, Inc. ("MSI"), another wholly-owned subsidiary of K+S North America. Upon completion of the transaction, MII will be a wholly owned subsidiary of MSI, whose direct owner will be K+S North America. Contemporaneous with the transfer of MII shares to MSI, MII will change its name and convert to a limited liability company which will be named "Morton International, LLC" ("MI, LLC"). MI, LLC will retain MII's Employer Identification Number and, like MII, will be organized under Indiana law. MII's change in direct parent corporation, name change, and conversion to a LLC will not affect the Large Mine Reclamation Contract ("Reclamation Contract") or the mining operations at the Morton Salt Grantsville facility. MII, which will then be known as MI, LLC, will continue to be responsible for compliance with the Reclamation Contract and surety requirements, and none of the facility-specific contact information will change.

We will write you again to provide you with the specific date upon which these changes occurred. In the interim, please contact me at (585) 231-1449 or <a href="two:two:wichese.com">ttuori@hselaw.com</a> if you have any questions or require additional information about this matter. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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